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Hey,

When Microsoft released J++, I knew that it did not conform to the Java standard and would only trick unwary devlopers and managers by using Microsoft's extensions. As soon as you start using a nonstandard solution, you are completely dependent on that provider. As much as Microsoft has added to the whole of computing and that addition is generally good, do not allow that addition to become the only voice that is heard as a result of its previous success. I think that the Microsoft should be broken into seperate business units and restrained from engaging in unfair business practices.

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